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ROANOKE, VA., DECEMBER 24, 1893

Tom REED made on Thursday last a very ingenious appeal to Old Virginia, as he calls her, and West Virginia, to stand by the McKinley tariff.

If the tariff were the only thing involved. Mr. Reed's appeal would be stronger. But a big dose of Republicanism mixed with a small quantity of protection to iron ores and coal won't be swallowed by either of the Virginias—Richmond Dispatch.

No. Mr. Reed's appeal coming from the source it does will not be regarded by the Virginians. They will prefer to do their own revision and make their own suggestions regarding the Wilson bill Mr. Reed would allow things to continue as they are. The Democrats, however, are pledged to tariff reform and a revision is what is expected from them. Many mistakes have undoubtedly been made in the Wilson bill and we trust the majority of those members of the ways and means committee will see them and make an effort to remedy them themselves.

OUR GREETING.

To-morrow is Christmas day, and for the lack of another opportunity before the coming of that festive occassion, THE TIMES begs leave this morning to wish its thousands of readers the many happy returns of the season. It is a day of all the year set apart the world over as a time of joyousness and praise. Its coming fills the children with a spirit of gleeful enthusiasm.

It uplifts the "children of a larger growth," and tends to ennoble and purify us all when we think of its origin and all that it conveys.

Some this year may dread its coming: others may look upon it as did Old Scrooge and pronounce it all a humbug; still others will gladly welcome its approach, and try to carry out the obligations of the day as best they can.

It behooves us all to pursue the latter course. We know that the year has dealt harshly with us. That joyousness and a bright spirit are hard to be maintained under such depressions. Yet everyone should for a time forget our own sorrows and try to be as cheerful and add as much to the pleasures of others as possible. It is a time for clustering around the family board; for the exchange of kindly greetings among our relatives and friends; for helping others, and thereby helping ourselves by the thought that we are carrying out the instructions of Him in whose honor the day is celebrated. All this done and we won't rue the coming of Christmas, the bright holiday time of the

A TIME FOR GIVING.

The following editorial comment by the Washington Star is particularly applicable at this time:

This is the season of the year when those who are notsuffering from poverty should be thoughtless as to themselves and possessed of quick sympathy for others less fortunate. Selfishness is a natural, yet detestable vice, which afficts the vast majority of the human race, and only by extraordinary effortsthe opportunities for which are multiplied at Christmas time-can a decent average of benevolence be maintained.

And yet how few people there are who are utterly unable to minister at least a little to the comfort of those who, without help, must suffer hunger and cold and sickness most when the great and jolly world indulges in feasting and merriment. In this city there has been and continues to be a steady endeavor to relieve distress. Openhearted men and women and children are contributing of their means-limited though they be in many instances-and much good is being done, but there is demand for more money, more food, more fuel, more clothing.

Thousands of those who are really unwilling beneficiaries have never until now known the true meaning of the word poverty, but phenomenally depressed commercial conditions compelled idle-

and a host of attendant discomforts. Such sufferers as these must surely be cared for and in order that none of the known cases of destitution be neglected

there must be an increase of liberality. This may mean a little self-denial for some folks, but that will only add to the pleasure of giving and improve the characters of those who exercise the virtue that comes near to being superior to all other virtues. There is no time for discussion; your gift should be immediately available.

AN ESSAY ON CHRISTMAS.

Written from Commerce Street School by Miss Daisy Webb.

I can scarcely imagine that one year has passed since I was requested to write an essay upon a similar occasion and also upon the same subject, and as in my former effort I exhauted nearly all my limited knowledge in portraying to you the wondrous wisdom and goodness of God in sending to the world a blessed Beceemer and not wishing to repeat everything that I then said I will change the subject from God's gratitude to man's ingratitude.

One of our blessed Savior's principal missions on earth was to teach us brotherly love, but slas! I fear that His radiant countenance is suffused with shame when He beholds man's ingratitude to man. To explain: I would ask you how many people one year ago were happy who are sorrowing to-day? Happy then because they had employment, whereby they were enabled to purchase presents for their wives and little children; sorrow to-day because, on account of man's ingratitude, they have been deprived of this employment and consequently cannot bring that

have been deprived of this employment and consequently cannot bring that pleasure to themselves and families. But you ask what man has to do with this. I will explain. When our country was in peace and prosperity man's ingratitude made a forward movement and changed the administration, and, like the old enemy of all that is right and perfect, he, upon of all that is right and perfect, he, upon a certain occasion, said that if he could not have more power in Heaven he would overthrow the kingdom, and you all know what success he had, but does it end here?

The curtain falls. The scene is now changed. The curtain is again up. Behold, I see afar off that blessed Re Changed. The curtain is again up. Behold. I see afar off that blessed Re deemer, and at his left I see a host of men, and upon their foreheads are branded, in large letters, "Ingratitude." Listen! I hear their sontence, "Depart from me, I know ye not. When I was a hungred ye fed me not, when I was naked ye clothed me not, when I was sick and in prison ye ministered not unto me." They said, "Lord, when saw we thee a hungred and fed thee not, naked and clothed thee not, sick or in prison and misistered not unto thee." He answering said: Inasmuch as ye did it not unto me.

The cries of thousands of mine are now ascending, some from prison cells dark and gloomy, who are cast there because they stole to sustain life; other cries come from the streets because they were driven from their houses by the property owners because they could not pay their rent: and the cries of

the property owners because they could not pay their rent; and the cries of hosts of others from different places of poverty and distress. I weep at man's ingratitude. Depart from me, I know

ingratitude. Depart from me, I know ye not.

The curtain drops.
Scene third—The curtain again rises.
Another sad scene presents itself to view. I see this same host of politicians and law-makers and at a distance I behold Abraham with Lazarus in his bosom. Hark: they are calling to Abraham. This is what they are saying: Father Abraham, send Lazarus to earth to warn my brethren or they likewise will come to this miserable place of remorse.

Then spoke Father Abraham saying Then spoke Fauser Abraham saying: Nay, not so: they had peace and pros-perity to warn them and if they heark-ened not unto them neither will they hear one even from the dead.

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Preparing for the Contest.

JACKSONVILLE, Doc. 23.—In spite of Governor Mitchell's expressed determ-ination to prevent the Corbett Mitchell fight, the men who are trying to bring about the contest are going ahead with their preparations. Work on the arena is being pushed, and everything will rything will soon be ready for the contest.



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At Christ Episcopall Church the services will be held at the usual hours. Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m. Service and sermon at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., the rector, Rev. J. Cleveland Hall, preaching at both services. Mission Sunday school at 3 p. m. Immediately after morning service there will be a meeting of the church and congregation, called for that time under the canons of the church.

St. Andraws's Church, Par Patter I.

St. Andrews's Church, Rev. Father J W. Lynch pastor. Services at 8 and 10 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Services at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday and Friday nights.

Second Presbyterian Church, Tenth R. C. Anderson, Jr., pastor — Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sabbathschool at 3 p. m; Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at 6:45 p. m. All cordially invited vited.

Services at the United Brethren Church, corner of Seventh avenue and Franklin road, at 11 a. m and 7.30 p. m Reception of members after each service. Sunday-school at 10 a. m., M. L. Av s, superintendent. The revival services continue.

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Fitch Avenue Presbyterian Church,
(Davis College Chapel, Sixth avenue n.
w.) Rev. Joseph Lee Spurlarke, pastor.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sundayschool 10 a. m., John Riley Dungee,
superintendent. Endeavor society 6:30
p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

day 7:30 p. m.

Religious services at the Brethren's Religious services at the Brethren's Tabernacle to day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p m, conducted by the pastor, D. C. Moomaw. Subject of morning discourse, "Naaman," and for evening, "Prayer." Sunday-school at 10:30. All invited

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First Baptist Church—Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Dr. W. A. Harris, president of Virginia College. A mass meeting and thanks offering Monday evening at 7:30. All members of the Sunday school, church and congregation, are requested to be present.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church—Sunday-school Christmas lesson at 9:30 a. m; at 11, Christmas sermon by the pastor, from the text, "Call His Name Immanuel;" at 6:30 p. m., meeting of the Augsburg League, led by Mr. Samuel Barnhart, Subject: "The Advent;" at 7:30, sermon by the pastor, Subject: "The Incarnation, the Fundamental Fact of Our Christianity." On Tuesday evening at 7:30 the Sunday-school will have their service and Christmas tree. They will render a beautiful service, entitled. "The Light of the World, which will be fellowed by Santa Claus and distribution of gifts.

St. James' Methodist Church—Sabbath—school at 9:30 a. m.; J. W. Flerherty, superintendent: preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor, Rev. G. T. D. Collins. The subject: "Incarnation of the Son of God, or the Human Christ." At 7 p. m. the Rev. Hamer Sherman, of Randolph-Macon Academy, will preach. Subject: "Obedience."

Calvary Baptist Church—L. G.

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Subject: "Obedience."
Calvary Baptist Church—L. G.
Broughton, pastor. Announcements for
Sunday, December 24: Sunday school
at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and
7:30 p. m. Subjects—Morning, "No
Room for Jesus;" evening, "Christmas
Extravagance." Strangers are cordially invited to attend. Extravagance." Strangers are cor-dially invited to attend.

At the United Brethren Church, the

pastor, Rev. S. L. Rice, will preach at 11 a. m., to-day on the subject of "Sacrament," and at 7:30 p. m., on the "Deception of Sin." The choir will sing appropriate Christmas an-

The Times-Register's Carrier's Address. THE TIMES is indebted to the Salem THE TIMES is indebted to the Salem Times-Register for a copy of the carrier's address with which the many patrons of that creditable publication have been favored. It is beautifully printed in blue and gold, and the poem, which has the genuine ring of a merry wisher, is from the pen of the Rev. J. S. Hutchinson. The persons into whose hands the address may fall may be even. hands the address may fall may be expected to comply readily to the call to "Give the Carrier Boy a Lift.

A Conductor Falls From His Train. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 23.—A special to the Times Union from Waldo says: Conductor Garotto, of the F. C. &

P. railroad, fell from the cars near Wil-liston last night and died from the ef-fect of his injuries this morning.

Literary Note.

The second edition of the December World's Fair Cosmopolitan brings the total up to the extraordinary figure of 400,000 copies, an unprecedented result in the history of magazines. Four hundred thousand copies—200 tons—ninety-four million pages—enough to fill 200 wagons with 2,000 pounds each—in a single line, in close order, this would be a fille of wagons more than a mile and a balf long. This means not less than 2,000,000 readers, scattered throughout every town and village in the United States.

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NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE CO., By George W. Perkins, third vice-

president. General Lee's Political Future. From the Richmond Cor. Norfelk Virginian.

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"Has Fitz Lee any political future?" is a question one hears propounded very often nowadays. Lee is at a critical point in his political life. By one false step he may tumble from the high position he occupies in the affections of the people, or by one lucky move he might, perhaps, gain greater renown than has as yet come to him. There is no doubt of the fact that the general made several blunders in the recent Senatorial investigation, but the people no doubt will soon forget them.

When Martin defeated Lee the friends of the latter were so astonished and indignant they at once began to look about far some means of honoring the ex-governor in such a manner as to rebuke the Democratic caucus for failing to carry with the microscopic proposed.

rebuke the Democratic caucus for failing to carry out the wishes of the people. The Italian mission was suggested, but that position has already been filled. Up in the Tenth Congressional District, where Lee lives, his admirers are talking of running him for Congress next year, but to nominate him would necessitate the turning down of the able and popular Henry Tucker.

It is to be doubted that Lee could defeat Tucker and approximate would.

offeat Tucker, and certainly he would hardly allow his friends to run him against that gentleman. One can hear the prediction made quite often that there will be two factions in the Democratic party; one headed by Lee, Bryan, Meredith, etc., fighting for reform, and the other with Daniel, O'Ferrall, Martin and Ellyson as leaders. It is not likely that Lee is a dead man, politically beauty and the control of the co cally, by any means. He may continue to fill a large space in the public eye.

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